



## Town of Antrim, New Hampshire

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### Town of Antrim 2008 Minutes

To the inhabitants of the Town of Antrim, in the county of Hillsborough and said State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Antrim Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the thirteenth (11<sup>th</sup>) day of March 2008 at 8 o'clock in the morning to act upon the following subjects:

The polls will be open from 8 o'clock in the morning to 7 o'clock in the evening.

**Article 1** To choose necessary Town Officers and Trustees for the ensuing year. **(Ballot Vote)**

**Article 2** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. Supporting documents are available for review at the Antrim Town Office.

1. Amend Article III Definitions: To modify, delete and add definitions to facilitate the administration of the Zoning Ordinances. **Yes-362 No-98 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

2. Adopt Article XI-B Aquifer and Wellhead Protection District to preserve, maintain, and protect from contamination existing and potential groundwater supply areas, drinking water sources, and surface waters that are fed by groundwater. **Yes-375 No-90 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

3. Amend Article XI Wetlands District paragraph E (Special Provisions) to establish a new criterion which sets a minimum contiguous upland width of fifty (50') feet in order to be considered contiguous. **Yes-346 No-110 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

4. Amend Article XIII Special Exceptions paragraph A. to add clarifying language which further explains when the Zoning Board of Adjustment can approve or deny a special exception request and delete a portion of paragraph A.4 to eliminate the requirement that the Zoning Board of Adjustment 'give due consideration to recommendations received from the Planning Board' prior to granting or denying any special exception request. **Yes-342 No-116 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

5. Amend Article XIV Supplemental Regulations paragraph J (Patios) to eliminate contradicting language with the proposed amendment to the definition of 'patio' in Article III, proposed as Amendment 1 above. **Yes-354 No-110 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

6. Amend Article XIV Supplemental Regulations paragraph N.3 (Yard Requirements) to only allow this front yard setback exception in the Village Business District and the Residential District and eliminate it from being allowed in all other zoning districts (Highway Business District, Rural District, Lakefront Residential District, and Rural Conservation District). **Yes-312 No-142 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

7. Amend Article XIV Supplemental Regulations paragraph N.5 (Yard Requirements) to eliminate the deck setback exceptions for yards fronting on the water in the Lakefront Residential District. **Yes-313 No-159 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

8. Replace Article XIV Supplemental Regulations paragraph O (Cluster Housing Developments) with a new proposed zoning ordinance as Article XIV-C Open Space Residential Development; essentially eliminating paragraph O. from Article XIV Supplemental Regulations. **Yes-344 No-100 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

9. Amend Article XIV Supplemental Regulations paragraph P (Home Occupations) to make the language and criteria for home occupations consistent with the language and criteria for home based businesses (Article XIV-A). **Yes-352 No-104 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

10. Amend Article XIV Supplemental Regulations paragraph S (Back Lots) to add a fourth criterion clarifying that the further subdivision of back lots after their establishment is permitted but will require additional subdivision approval from the Planning Board. **Yes-333 No-126 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

11. Amend Article XVII Sign Ordinance paragraph A.7 (Definitions) to revise the definition of 'temporary sign' and amend paragraph B by moving items B.10 and B.11 to paragraph D (Signs Permitted with Permit from the Building Inspector) as items D.4.c and d and D.5.d and e to clarify what is permitted for signs in the Village Business District and the Highway Business District. **Yes-345 No-110 (Ballot Vote) Passed**

**Meeting opened by Moderator Robert Flanders**

**Pledge led by Moderator Robert Flanders**

**Prayer led by Rev Charles Boucher**

*And on this evening we pause to recognize one who has given 25 years of service to our community. Marita Hammond, as Town Clerk and Tax Collector, has served each of us well. And so it is fitting that we stand in a moment of silent tribute. And therefore, be it resolved that we, the people of Antrim in community together, on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2008 do gratefully and from our hearts express our appreciation to the efforts of Mary R Hammond for her many years of dedicated service to this community, and do so inscribe into the minutes of this meeting that the assembly did rise and stand in a moment of silent tribute to her faithful service.*

**Moderator will second all motions**

Additionally, pursuant to RSA 39:2-a and the vote of the Town at the March 1981 Annual Meeting, you are hereby notified to meet at the Antrim Memorial Town Gymnasium in said Town of Antrim on Thursday evening the **Thirteenth (13th) of March 2008** at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following:

**Moved by Ben Pratt**

**Article 3** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Five Thousand Dollars, (\$305,000.00) for the purpose of improvements to North Branch Bridge on North Branch Road. The cost is presently estimated by the NH DOT Bridge Division, this will include; bridge replacement, road resurfacing, wetlands permitting, engineering, and all other associated fees. Two Hundred Forty Four Thousand Dollars (\$244,000.00) or 80% of the approved cost, of the monies for this work has been approved and will come from the NHDOT State Bridge Grants, Sixty One Thousand Dollars (\$61,000.00) or 20%, of the monies, will be withdrawn from the Emergency Bridge Fund which was established for this purpose. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI. And will not lapse until the project is completed or December 31, 2013, whichever date comes first. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 4** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Open Space Reserve Fund, for the purchase of land or other property interests therein, for the protection of the natural heritage and rural character of the Town, including any buildings or structures incidental to such land, as may be in the best interest of the Town, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) (gross budget) to be placed in the fund.

**Requested By the Conservation Commission/Open Space Report, Recommended By the Board of Selectmen Passed**

**Moved by Stephen Schacht**

**Article 5** To see if the Town will vote to withdraw the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund to continue to up date the Town assessment in compliance with RSA 21-J:11-a and RSA 75:8-a the fund was set up for this purpose. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen Passed**

**Moved by Ben Pratt**

**Article 6** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$155,000.00) to be added to the present Capital Reserve Funds in the following manner:

\$ 50,000	Town Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund
\$ 20,000	Highway/Engineering Capital Reserve Fund
\$ 5,000	Fire Fighting Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

\$ 50,000 Bridge Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund  
\$ 5,000 Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund  
\$ 25,000 Recreation Field Development Fund

**Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 7** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00) from the TIF Fund account, Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) will be used for the purpose of financing infrastructure improvements in the downtown, and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) will be returned to the Town's General Fund. And to withdraw from the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District account the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00) for these purposes. **Requested By the TIF Committee,**

**Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 8** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the TIF Fund account, for the purpose of business development, marketing, and improvement projects in the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District and to withdraw from the Downtown Antrim Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District account the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for these purposes. **Requested By the TIF**

**Committee, Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Stephen Schacht**

**Article 9** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for major repairs to our government buildings, including, but not limited to renovations to the current Police Department to bring it up to recommended insurance standards, or its redesign and to withdraw from the Town Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) from this reserve account set up for this purpose. **Recommended**

**By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Stephen Schacht**

**Article 10** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to require preliminary review of subdivisions, in accordance with RSA 674:35.1 **Requested By the Planning Board, Recommended By the Board of**

**Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 11** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Capital Reserve Fund set up as the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 12** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to add to our existing vehicle leasing program police cruisers, and a One Ton dump truck with sander, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000.00) for the first year's payment for that purpose. The lease agreement contains an escape clause. The current equipment will be sold and the monies will be turned into the General Fund. The lease will be for a Five year period with a one dollar buyout. The total cost will be One Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00) over the lease period. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Ben Pratt**

**Article 13** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), to support the Teen/Community Center that was started last year. These funds will be contributed to the Grapevine Family & Community Services who are responsible for the operation of the Teen Center. **Requested By the**

**Grapevine Family & Community Services, Recommended By the Board of**

**Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Ben Pratt**

**Article 14** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Three Hundred Six Thousand One Hundred Fifty Eight Dollars (**\$3,306,158.00**) to pay the normal operating costs of the Town (as set forth in the Town Budget-including Three Hundred Nineteen Thousand Ninety Dollars (**\$319,090.00**) for the Water & Sewer Department) and said sum excludes all Warrant Articles addressed or action taken thereon. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Amendment**

*The Board of Selectmen move to amend the operating budget by Ninety Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$99,500.00). The money would be added to the Highways and Streets budget and will be used to repair north Main Street from the bridge north up to the lower part of Smith Road. The condition of that section of road at the present time is in very poor condition. We have developed a plan within the last few days to be able to accomplish the work that must be done at the same time that the bridge is being replaced. We wish to give the voters the choice to repair the road or not. Therefore, we move to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million Four Hundred Five thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Eight Dollars (\$3,405,658.00) to pay the normal operating cost of the Town as set forth in the Budget – including Three Hundred Nineteen Thousand Ninety Dollars (\$319,090.00) for the*

Water and Sewer Department) and said sum excludes all Warrant Articles addressed or action taken thereon.

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 15** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) for improvements to Memorial Park which will include but not be limited to playground equipment, benches, etc. this will be raised by taxes. **Requested By the Recreation Commission, Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 16** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$6,200.00) for the purchase of additional equipment for the skateboard park, Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.00) of this will come from donations and Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) will be raised by taxes. **Requested By the Recreation Commission, Recommended By the Board of**

**Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Stephen Schacht**

**Article 17** To see if the Town will vote to approve the rate of pay for the Town Clerk, effective March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008. This Office will be open to the public at least Sixteen (16) hours per week, this position will be classified in a Wage Grade V. (\$14.50/hr. minimum; \$18.20/hr. mid-point; \$21.15/hr. maximum) these rates will be adjusted as is required on an annual basis. The cost of the position will be part of the annual operating budget and shall not be exceeded unless approved by the Board of Selectmen. The rate for the incumbent of this position will be increased on an annual basis at the average percentage increase of all other Town office employees and will be approved by the Board of Selectmen. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Ben Pratt**

**Article 18** To see if the Town will vote to accept the deeding of the North Branch Cemetery property to the Town from the North Branch Cemetery Association. The North Branch Cemetery Association will be terminating its association as per RSA 289:13. The Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be raised by taxes, for the proper care and maintenance of the cemetery. Upon transfer of the title to the cemetery, the balance of the funds in the care of the North Branch Cemetery Association, estimated to be in excess of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) will be transferred to the Town General Fund. Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) of said funds, were donated and will be earmarked for a memorial garden for Amber Carter, it is the intention to have this garden completed by December 31, 2008. The Antrim Cemetery Trustees shall have the sole management responsibility for the cemetery. **Requested by the North Branch Cemetery Association, Recommended By the**

**Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Ben Pratt**

**Article 19** To see if the Town will vote to withdraw the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$38,500.00) from the Highway/Engineering Capital Reserve Fund for engineering fees related to the design of drainage and wetlands requirements for the lower part of Pleasant Street to Route 202, the fund was set up for these purposes. **Recommended By the Board of Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Stephen Schacht**

**Article 20** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, in accordance with RSA 231:43, the portion of Diebart Lane that runs off of Grove Street to the property of Mr. and Mrs. Brad Kemp, and to also discontinue Davison Drive that runs off of Old Clinton Road, and to relinquish all interest in said roads or portion thereof, so long as discontinuance has no cost to the Town or take any other action thereon. **Recommended By the Board of**

**Selectmen**

**Passed**

**Moved by Michael Genest**

**Article 21** To hear reports of the committees and act thereon.

**Moved by Stephen Schacht**

**Article 22** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Motion was made by Catherine Burke to see if the town will vote to add individual salaries of all town employees back into the town report.

**Passed**

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

True Copy "ATTEST"

Donna Hanson  
Town Clerk

